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THAT THE CO-INVENTORS NAMED IN THIS APPLICATION CONCEIVED OR INVENTED THE SUBJECT MATTER OF THIS APPLICATION THAT IS DISCLOSED IN A CITED PUBLICATION

- 1. The Examiner has cited the publication, "High-Fill-Factor, Burst-Frame-Rate Charge-Coupled Device," by Reich, O'Mara, Young, Loomis, Rathman, Craig, Watson, Ulibarri, and Kosicki, International Electron Device Meeting and IEDM Technical Digest, pp. 567-570, December 2001, against the claims of the instant application as prior art under 35 U.S.C. §102(a).
  - 2. I am named as a co-inventor on the instant application.

3. I hereby declare as a named co-inventor on the instant application, and signing below, that:

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- A. The subject matter of the Reich et al. publication identified above was conceived and/or invented by the inventors named on the instant application and that the inventorship of the instant application is correct;
- B. The co-authors of the Reich publication identified above that are not named as co-inventors on the instant application did not contribute to conception or invention of the invention claimed in the instant application, and instead, carried out activities related to the fabrication and testing of the invention under the supervision of the inventors, or defined a need for the invention; specifically:
- a. D.M. O'Mara conducted testing and characterization of CCD devices;
- b. D.J. Young was a fabrication process engineer responsible for CCD fabrication processes;
- c. A.H. Loomis was a fabrication process engineer responsible for CCD fabrication processes;
- d. D.M. Craig wrote software for conducting testing and characterization of CCD devices;
- e. S.A. Watson defined desired CCD performance characteristics for addressing specific applications and requested design solutions; and

- f. M.D. Ulibarri defined desired CCD performance characteristics for addressing specific applications and requested design solutions.
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